

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Yoichiro SAKO, et al.

SERIAL NO: 10/505,177

GAU: 2627

FILED: August 31, 2004

EXAMINER: PATEL, G.

FOR: WRITABLE RECORDING MEDIUM, IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION RECORDING METHOD,  
INFORMATION RECORDING APPARATUS, IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION PLAYBACK METHOD,  
AND INFORMATION PLAYBACK APPARATUS

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97**

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

**REFERENCES**

- ☒ The applicants wish to make of record the reference listed on the attached Japanese Office Action and the form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached as well as English translations of pertinent portions of some of the non-English language references. The remaining references listed on the Japanese Office Action, and are not listed on the attached PTO-1449 were previously cited on September 25, 2007.
- ☐ Online credit card payment is being made in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**RELATED CASES**

- ☐ Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s), published application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. In accordance with the waiver of 37 CFR 1.98 dated September 21, 2004, copies of the cited pending applications are not provided. Cited published and/or issued patents, if any, are listed on the attached PTO form 1449.
- ☐ Online credit card payment is being made in the amount required under 37 CFR §1.17(p).

**CERTIFICATION**

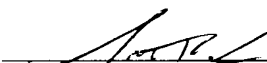
- ☒ Each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.
- ☐ No item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application or, to the knowledge of the undersigned, having made reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

**DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

- ☐ Please charge any additional fees for the papers being filed herewith and for which no check or credit card payment is enclosed herewith, or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 15-0030.

Respectfully submitted,

OBLON, SPIVAK, McCLELLAND,  
MAIER & NEUSTADT, P.C.

  
Bradley D. Lytle

Registration No. 40,073

Customer Number

**22850**

Tel. (703) 413-3000  
Fax. (703) 413-2220  
(OSMMN 05/03)